TOWN OF WILBRAHAM

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WILBRAHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 22 2015

The Conservation Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Members present: Christopher Brown, Chairman, George Reich, Tom Reavey and Stoughton Smead **Staff**: Melissa Graves, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order and a brief discussion was held with the owners of 6 Decorie Drive regarding the appraised value of the property and the actual sale/purchase price of the property.

Executive Session

To discuss strategy with respect to:

Considering the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property because discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on the Town's bargaining position

Motion: George Reich, enter in to executive session to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of property because an open session may have a detrimental effect on the Town's bargaining position; and upon conclusion, return to open session. The motion was approved with each Conservation Commission member voting affirmatively in a roll call vote. (George Reich, yes; Christopher Brown, yes; Tom Reavey, ves, and Stoughton Smead, yes)

Members of the Conservation Commission reconvened the open meeting at 7:35 PM

Notice of Intent 101 Beebe Road

Present: Pete Levesque, Wetland Consultants, Inc. (representing the property owners/applicant)

Several members of the Conservation Commission attended the site walk to the property on Saturday, June 20 and met with a staff member of Wetland Consultants. The entire parcel consists of 30+- acres. The site was previously forested and contained a garage, both of which were damaged by the tornado in 2011. The site has since been logged and the garage demolished. Proposed work consists of the construction of one (1) single-family home, well, septic system, driveway and associated grading. All work proposed is outside of the 50' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands. Hearing no questions or concerns, the Chairman asked for a motion.

Motion: George Reich, close the public hearing and issue an Order of Conditions within 21 days **2**nd: Tom Reavey

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey and Stoughton Smead

Date: _____

Discussion Twelve Mile Brook Forest Management Project

The process of developing the management plan for Twelve Mile Brook was discussed. Now that the Thayer Brook Forest Management Project is complete, the Commission will begin the task of utilizing the tools learned there to complete the Twelve Mile Brook Plan. The Commission received an \$8000 Community Preservation Grant to complete this task.

MACC (Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions)

Being a member of MACC allows the Commission to access training, conferences, support and workshops relating to protecting wetlands, open space, and biological diversity. The annual dues are \$540.00 and include all benefits including an annual subscription to MACC Quarterly, the MACC Helpline and the MACC Web Forum.

Motion: George Reich, renew the annual membership to MACC

2nd: Stoughton Smead

Unanimously in favor: George Reich, Tom Reavey and Stoughton Smead

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM. The Conservation Commission will reconvene at its next scheduled meeting on Monday, July 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM.

Submitted:

Approved As To Form And Content:

Melissa Graves, Administrative Assistant

Christopher Brown, Chairman